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


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In those dear, golden college-days
You had a liking — lives it still?—
For sophomoreic roundelays.

Yet Science was the course you took,
And while I scribbled lovers' sighs,
Your mind was shaping for the book
Which ponderous before me lies.

Observe the title: 'Some remains
Found in the Older Pliocene'!
Good Lord, Will, but it must take brains
In rocks to ply a hunt so keen!

So, lad, my work, — though poor, 'tis mine—
I pray you suffer me to lay
A reverent garland on your shrine;
Its fragrance may outlast a day.

W. H. ALEXANDER.

TWO BORROWED BOOKS

To steal well is not given to every man. Artful Dodgers are numbered. The game requires a light touch. Literature is full of pilfering, unconscious, masterly, reverent, unjustifiable, stupid. Writing in the twentieth century an author, perhaps in spite of himself, must owe something to the monument of vanished minds which the literature of the past centuries represents. Sometimes a sentence of Matthew Arnold's yells at you out of a freshman's essay, where it is consorting with strange bedfellows. Sometimes — Charles Lamb's essays are an example — there is a whole tissue of literary reminiscence, loving, quaint, half-humorous. Sometimes, the master comes and like Shakespeare transforms his borrowings into something rich and strange; and in such a case nothing is more futile than the cry of "Thief" raised by a certain tribe of keen-scented critics.

But there are less illustrious cases, where the critic may play his melancholy game; may pry and dissect with no irreverence; cases on the margin, not culpable, perhaps, but unshielded by a great name or by wonderful results.

I suppose most readers consider "Sherlock Holmes" a book with a good deal of originality, a creation, in fact, by Conan Doyle. They would say that the main worth and interest of the book lay in the keenness and unexpectedness of Holmes's methods. Certainly, the stories make little or no pretence to the drawing of character. Holmes and his faithful foil, Watson, are but ink and paper. Conan Doyle has the grace to dis-

claim entire originality and acknowledges a debt to Edgar Allan Poe, but it is not till after reading the extraordinary stories of that varied genius that one sees how great the debt really is. Everyone knows the plan of the Sherlock Holmes story — the quiet talk of the two friends, the agitated step on the stair, the interesting client, the long series of ingenious deductions, the collapse of Scotland Yard and the quiet, almost bored triumph of Holmes. Roughly speaking, this is the mould into which most of the tales are poured and this pattern has been bodily lifted from Edgar Allan Poe. Take any one of those remarkable stories, "The Murders in the Rue Morgue", "The Mystery of Marie Roget", "The Purloined Letter", and you will find all the favourite principles which Holmes expounds so often to his patient and admiring henchman. Monsieur C. Auguste Dupin — Poe's character — lays it down, for instance, as a rule that it is the unusual crimes, those which present some abnormal feature, which are the easiest of solution; that simplicity is the most baffling obstacle. Or again, that impossible solutions being struck out, the remaining possible solutions, however unlikely, must include the correct one. How often has that best of disciples, Dr. Watson, listened to and wondered at these oracular pronouncements! He little knew that Holmes had read Edgar Allan Poe.

What Doyle has done is this. He has made Dupin, under the name of Holmes, a popular commercial success. An English setting was

easily created. The Faubourg St. Germain where Dupin lived was replaced by Holmies's lodgings in Baker Street. The next thing was to cast about Holmes the interest of the unusual. A lean pale face, an addiction to cocaine, a devotion to coarse shag, a dreamy passion for music, a minute knowledge of cigar ashes—the thing is done. Edgar Allan Poe was the inventor. Conan Doyle manufactured in bulk.

One of the most popular novels of a couple of years ago was Jeffrey Farnol's "The Broad Highway," a story of considerable charm and freshness. A liberal supply of incident, a pleasant spice of humour, a companionable hero and a delightful background of Kentish landscape and Kentish villagers. "Excellent, done, if God did all," says the saucy heroine of *Twelfth Night*, scanning Olivia's face. So here one may hesitate about allowing Mr. Farnol the sole credit for contriving these delights. The best of the book owes its direct inspiration to George Borrow. If "Lavengro" and "Romany Rye" had not been written "The Broad Highway" would be but a thin book. The plagiarism is sometimes legitimate, often close, occasionally audacious. It might be grudging, but it would hardly be inaccurate to describe it as an adaptation of Borrow for modern novel readers. All that would puzzle, bore or irritate the average consumer of best-sellers is omitted. The crowning glory of Borrow's two books, the episode of Isopel Berners, is seized upon, pranked out in modern guise, and the result is readers who number hundreds of thousands. The story is shorn of its distinctive unconventional qualities. In "Romany Rye" there is no comfortable end to the romance. Isopel Berners, to the dismay of Borrow and the

reader, walks out of the story as independently and as suddenly as she had entered. All this had to be changed; and Mr. Farnol, shrewdly enough, lets Jack have Jill and gives the public what it wants a happy ending. Isopel, too, suffers change. A six foot lass with enough muscle to give a postillion what he called "a confounded whopping," was obviously not the heroine for a modern romance. All this muscle is rather vulgar. And so, instead of Isopel, frank and robust, we are given Charmian, a handsome going person, with rather theatrical tendencies. It would be an ungracious task to catalogue the characters and incidents which have been transferred from one book to the other. It is enough to say that the novel has been trimmed to a nicety for the popular taste and has accomplished its purpose.

The moral of this discourse, for everything has a moral, is that books are not always what they seem. Considerable, perhaps not lasting, literary fame may be won by adopting the work of other men and presenting it in a popular manner. It is often unwise to take books at their face value. "There is as great a vice in praising, and as frequent, as in detracting."

R.K.G.

Miss Soph. to Mr. Fresh (who is calling upon her). Do you like marshmallows?

Mr. Fresh (expectantly). Oh my, yes!

Miss Soph. (sweetly). All right, I'll make some if you'll beat it.

The New Additions To Our Staff.

A number of additions have been made to the faculty of our University for the work of this session.

Cecil Scott Burgess, A.R.I.B.A., and member of Alberta Association of Architects, Professor of Architecture and Superintendent Architect of the University of Alberta studied at the Harriot-Watt Technical School, Edinburgh, Scotland, and at the School of Applied Art, passing the examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects. Professor Burgess was for some years engaged in the practice of his profession in London, Liverpool and Montreal, and from 1906 to 1912, was a lecturer in the Department of Architecture of McGill University.

Robert L. Gordon, M.A. who has been appointed lecturer in English, is a graduate of the University of Toronto, from which institution he also received his Master's degree for special work in English. From 1910 to 1912, Mr. Gordon was a student in English School at Oxford where he received his B.A. degree with Honours in English. He was then appointed Professor of English at the University of New Brunswick, from which institution he comes to the University of Alberta.

S. Douglas Killam Ph. D., lecturer in Mathematics, is a graduate of Mt. Allison (1908), with honours in mathematics. He received his Master's degree in mathematics in 1910, and after special courses at Paris and Göttingen he took the degree of Ph. D. in applied mathematics at Göttingen in 1912. He has since been on the staff of the University of Rochester in the Department of Mathematics.

A.L. Burt B.A. (Toronto 1910), B.A. (Oxon 1912), the new lecturer

in history in the University of Alberta is a native of Toronto where he received his early education, graduating from Toronto University in 1910, specializing in modern history. He was chosen Rhodes Scholar from Ontario for 1910 and after two years at Corpus Christi College, Oxford, took his Bachelors' degree, winning the Robert Herbert Memorial Prize and dividing the Best prize for 1913. Since his graduation Mr Burt has published a book, "Imperial Architects," which is an account of all proposals for a closer imperial union previous to the year 1887. (Oxford University Press).

Mr August von Zabuesnig, lecturer in German, is native of Landshut, near Munich, Germany. He attended the classical school in his native town, after which he went to the University of Munich, from which he graduated in 1913, specializing in modern languages.

Miss Geneva Misener, M.A. (Queen's), Ph.D., Chicago, lecturer in Latin and adviser to Women Students, is an M.A., Queen's University and a Ph.D., *summa cum laude* of the University of Chicago. Since that time Miss Misener has travelled and studied extensively in Europe. During the term 1908-9 she was head of the classical department of Rochford College, and from 1909-12 Dean of Kenwood Institute, Chicago.

Miss A. Irene Dickson B.A. graduate in Household Science of University of Toronto has been appointed Dietician and Supervisor of Domestic affairs.

In addition to the above, Maxwell Fife, B.Sc. (Alberta), and Henry J. Towerton, B.A. (Alberta), have been appointed Instructors in the Departments of Civil Engineering and Biology respectively.



MR. GORDON



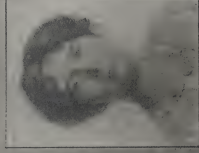
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The Gentle Art of Verse-Writing.

Of poetry I have nothing to say. *Poeta nascitur, non fit.* Poets themselves, as Socrates discovered in his famous quest, have no reasoned knowledge of their works, but do what they do under the influence of a divine afflatus. Here is evidently something with which most of us are not likely to scrape even a bowing acquaintance; it is to be viewed, like a duke in his gold-lace and feathers, respectfully, afar off.

But verse-writing is another story. It is not perhaps a bow on which every man may lay his hand to shoot at a venture, but it is a reed which with experience one may learn to pipe upon creditably, and from the use of which he may gain and give pleasure. Hence it is that in some of the larger American universities there are offered from time to time courses in verse-writing; it is something wherein is admitted the possibility of instruction and of advance by practice.

To be sure such courses must have their prerequisites. Of these the most essential is a fairly sound taste. Tastes vary of course, but within a reasonable range only; men of taste easily reach a general agreement as to the things in verse which "no fellow can do." This taste is formed in many by the lucky accident of birth; they are sons and daughters by the hand of a kindly fate in homes where conversation proceeds on a high level of thought and language, and where the library shelves are filled with the best that world-literature has to offer. But in others not so favored it grows up through judicious reading, a reading of the best that poetry affords. Personally, I rank high among such reading

for the cultivation of taste, classical (Latin and Greek) poetry, under the constantly growing conviction that from it, as from nothing else, is derivable clarity of judgment in matters of literary selection. I will add here that what makes so much undergraduate verse wholly unavailable for publication is the lack of this prime fundamental, taste, the ability to tell when a subject is admissible and when it has been handled within sane bounds.

But another important item, assuming this other, is ear, that is to say, a true ear for metre and the possibilities of rhythm. Few of us probably lisp in numbers because the numbers come, but most of us—not all; I have known hopeless cases—can acquire from study and especially from oral reading of our poets a reasonable sense for the more familiar rhythms at least. Verse-writing without this sense is quite impossible, and here again at this hurdle many ambitious writers of verse go down hard. Extra feet appended to a line which has already run its allotted span, or sudden and unexplainable variations of verse-accent do not commend verses to critics and editors.

Taste, ear, unto these must be added range of vocabulary. I think this is one of the best features of verse-writing as a fine art, the pressure it brings upon one under obligation to metre to study over his vocabulary to find for a given thought or shade of meaning, a word at once appropriate and metrical. There is nothing more to be said against choosing one word in preference to another for metrical reasons than against the practice of sculptors in making the arm of a

figure rest upon a stump or block because of the liability of the material to fracture otherwise.

A good school in which to begin is that of translation. Here you have your thought and in large measure your diction supplied; it becomes a question of adapting these to appropriate English words and metres. I shall not, I trust, be thought immodest if I refer to my own adaptation from Catullus in this number, as an example. To Catullus I owe all the thought and much of the diction; I chose my

English verse-form and made the circumstances those of our own time. There must be a number of the Gateway's readers who would derive enjoyment and achieve success, in trying a similar process upon the poetry, particularly the lyric poetry, of the languages now taught in our college courses. And, even if we may not scale Parnassus's heights, there are many pretty spots in the foot-hills where garlands of the more modest wild-flowers may be gathered.

WILLIAM HARDY ALEXANDER

Alumni.

It is with great pleasure that we announce the introduction of an Alumni Column. We hope by this means to keep our readers in touch with those who have graduated from our University. Owing to the fact that the Alumni Association has not yet appointed its Secretary, it is impossible for us to give the items of interest that would otherwise appear. However, we have secured some little information as to the whereabouts of members of the year '13. This month we shall give but a limited number of items, reserving the rest for a later time.

In this record of her graduations of the year '13 the University of Alberta has every reason to be proud. If each year sees as many useful and successful citizens sent out, then the University will have justified its existence by sending out those who are to play a great part in the building up of our province.

Mr. Jim Lowry '13 is one of the youngest members in the Legislative Assembly of this province. His ability has drawn attention, and he has been recently honoured with the position of Junior Whip of the Conservative Party.

Miss Decima Robinson M. Sc., the Calculus maid-is at the present

time filling an important Provincial appointment. She is assisting Dr. Revell as Deputy Provincial Analyst.

Mr. Stacy McCall '13, who for some time acted as Registrar of Alberta Theological College has been honored in receiving the appointment of Principal of the Alberta Business College of the city of Edmonton.

Mr. L. Y. Cairns '13, whose literary and artistic productions in former numbers of the Gateway will be remembered, is pursuing his study of law in the office of Wallbridge, Henwood & Gibson of this city.

Mr. J. McPhail Waggett '13, is now noted as a Humorist. He is kept busy entertaining the public and is a well known laugh-maker. During the past summer he has been engaged in the Southern part of the province giving a "Mark Twain Night." His lecture has been received very favourably wherever given.

Mr. E. Mitchell '13, has advanced in his work as teacher to a position of considerable importance. He is Principal of the Macleod Public and High School.

Surely the year '13, is a credit to its Alma Mater!

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EDITORIAL

The return to our Alma Mater is perhaps, one of the happiest times of the session. We come with the joyful anticipation of the year before us. For the moment, the actual facts of last year are dimmed by the prospects of the new. In our present mood we do not wish to bother about facts, for is it not with our visions and ideal plans that we would revel while we may? We wonder what our new officers will do, and the very wondering gives us pleasure, for may they not have in store many a happy surprise? Then another factor switches our thought on another tack--the Freshman Class. Each of us according to his particular interest endeavours to single out the new talent, and speculates on the treasure to be unearthed. What possibilities lie hidden for the Rugby Squad? And so, in turn, we go on wondering, and hoping "great things" from this robust crowd of newcomers.

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The Freshman Class will think their "welcomes," well over by this time, but the "Gateway," although last in the throng of admirers, extends the hand of friendship, and joins in the happy chorus, Welcome! Freshmen! Welcome!

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"The University was taken by

storm," so said a sober individual while unsuccessfully attempting to concretize the wonderful spirit of our Rugby enthusiasts. In the annals of our University there has never been shown a finer spirit, and a more untiring activity in athletics. Its beneficent influence has spread itself throughout the Campus, and we are glad to say, approaches nearer to that ideal of loyalty which we secretly cherish, but never reach. By dint of constant practice, and an unswerving purpose, the Rugby squad has gradually carved out an enduring staircase upwards (it is still incomplete). We always welcome those cherished occasions when Varsity makes us proud of her, and already they have not been lacking. The entrance of the Squad into Senior Rugby was regarded as a plucky move, but not the most sanguine were really hopeful of a good showing. It was the first process of going through the mill to gain experience, we were told. The Rugby fifteen have, however, surprised even her most optimistic prophets, and best of all, have won the respect of both Eskimos and Tigers, by playing the game with that self-control and sportsmanship, which are the true marks of University athletics.

OBITUARY

During the summer months, the University lost one of its keenest and most interested supporters—(Mrs. Kerr, the wife of Professor Kerr). We are all aware of the unfortunate accident which resulted in her death.

Our loss is great, but mingled with it is also a sorrow and deep sympathy for him whose loss is greatest. In a growing University, enthusiasm and activity are perhaps

the two great essentials for advancement, and no one has given us a better lead than Mrs. Kerr. We, who were privileged to know her can well remember her readiness to help us on all occasions.

May we pay this tribute to her memory, that she has contributed to the foundations of our student life, a healthy vigour which nothing can efface.

Student Activities.

LITERARY SOCIETY.

The Literary Society has lost one of its members, the representative of the Junior Year, by the failure of Mr. R. K. Colter to return to the University this year. Mr. E. F. Carswell has been selected to fill the place thus rendered vacant.

The Society is to be represented on the Students' Council this year, in addition to the President and Secretary who are ex-officio representatives, by Miss E. A. Fulmer, Vice-President, and Mr. H. W. Harlow, Representative of the Senior Year.

Two executive meetings have been held so far, and the opening meeting arranged for Oct. 17th. Meetings will be held as far as possible on every alternate Friday from that date.

The first meeting is to take the form of a Concert, put on by outside professional talent, and should be well worth the attendance of every student of the University.

GLEE CLUB AND ORCHESTRA.

All great men and even indifferent men, all the way from Shakespeare to Hubbard have spoken of the influence of music. Wm. James, in his Talks to Teachers, deplores the fact that he had not cultivated a taste for music.

The University is fortunate in having two splendid musical organizations within her halls—the Glee Club and the Orchestra. Both are two years old, and last December, young as they were, they offered an excellent programme to a critical audience of musicians who pronounced favourably upon the merit

of the production. Mr. Barford and Mr. Graham were the Conductors of these organizations, but the members were, and will be, nearly all students.

This year, greater efforts will be made for success. All students are eligible to join, and if we receive the proper support from the students and make good progress, these organizations will in all likelihood take a trip in the Christmas vacation.

THE PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

Encouraged by the success of last year, the Philosophical Society got to work very early this session, and outlined its plans. An excellent programme was got out consisting of seven public lectures and six members' meetings. As heretofore, the programme is exceedingly varied, since philosophy is the broadest of all the sciences.

The Society is also endeavouring to extend its field of interest. This is being done in two ways. In the first place, by opening up the field of membership. At a meeting held on Friday evening, Oct. 3rd, the constitution was amended to make all students of the University eligible for membership in the society. Last year it was restricted to members of the Senior Classes. The members' meetings are designed especially for the undergraduate, and the Society cordially invites everyone interested to come to the meetings and join in the discussions.

In the second place the Society is trying to get as many of the outside people to its public lectures as possible. The meetings will be extensively advertised, and as the lectures are of a most popular and entertaining variety, the public should turn out in great numbers.

DRAMATIC CLUB.

This year, the Club proposes to study Comedy, both ancient and modern. It's a long journey from Aristophanes to Arnold Bennett, but we got under way with a will on the evening of October 15th, when the Rev. the Principal of Robertson College gave a public lecture on "Comedy and Humour." Committees are now at work preparing programmes for evenings on Greek, Roman, French, English and German Comedy. It is hoped that at each meeting a paper will be given on one of these subjects, and that it will be possible to present in an informal way, scenes from plays by the authors concerned.

It is likely that two plays will be presented during the session, under the auspices of the Club, one in French and one in English. If there are any of the newly-arrived members of the University who are keen about either the study or presentation of the drama, it is desirable that they should make themselves known to the executive as soon as possible, through the Secretary, Mr. S. C. Ferguson.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Christian activities that are being carried on by students, with the hearty co-operation of members of the faculty, do not stand in a position of rivalry to, and do not seek precedence over any other form of student activity. Rather, these efforts seek to lead men to discover for themselves and to develop in their own ways, those habits of thought and action which shall make all interests in life most productive of the largest possible advantage to those partaking in them. An increasing number of men are coming to hold the convic-

tion that the principles of Jesus of Nazareth, when rightly understood and sincerely practised, cause men to lose nothing in life except the things that are unworthy; quite the contrary, these principles, if their real significance is grasped, are found to be practicable in modern University life, leading to the doing of any and all things worth while, with the greatest gain to the doer.

Religion, then, becomes a manner of life, a way in which all things are done, and is not a thing that is separate from, or that can be separated from, all the most legitimate values in life. The Y.M.C.A., as the religious organization in this University, has planned activities which should interest every man, no matter what his form of thought or creed may be.

SOCIAL SERVICE.

Building on the work of former years, plans are under way for the leading of groups of boys during the adolescent period, by a corps of University students who will make a special study of the Boy Problem. These men will lead groups in the Y.M.C.A. and in some churches. The committee in charge expects also to supply a number of men to teach English and Good Citizenship to coming Canadians. Men interested in either of these activities should communicate with Mr. Charles Young, '16 chairman of the Social Service Committee.

BIBLE STUDY GROUPS.

Hugh Black in addressing a body of Yale Students recently said: "What college men need is more personal religion. You men think that you are going out to clean up the world, to clean up politics and all. But you men aren't going to

clean up the world until you have cleaned up your own lives." This advice applies as well to the University of Alberta as it does to Yale, and if our men are to have the right motives for entering social service or any other form of Christian activity they need the stimulating influence of a well conducted Bible-study group.

This year an opportunity will be given to every man who takes lectures at the University to enter one of these groups. Most of these groups have already started and every man is invited to the group which is most convenient. Full particulars may be had from Mr. George Robinson '15, or any of the officers of the Association.

MISSION STUDY.

Mr. H. Appleton '14, will soon be able to announce a series of talks on the great religious movements in the world today. Watch the bulletins for the dates.

THE WAUNEITA SOCIETY.

On Sept: 20th the Wauneita Society met for the first time this session. The meeting was well attended by all old members.

During the afternoon a committee was appointed for the purpose of enquiring into the possibility of forming a Glee-club among the women students of the University. Judging by the melodious strains which are from time to time wafted to our ears, the men's Glee-club seems to be an unqualified success. Surely then in this age, when women claim equality with men, we will do our utmost to make our club as good as theirs, it would be invidious to say better. We hope then that all women students who feel that they have talent in this direction, will come forward, and

also those who, though they cannot lay claim to any marked vocalistic powers, might like to take advantage of this excellent opportunity for letting off steam.

One other important business of the afternoon was the appointment of a committee to organize the reception to the Freshettes. If we may rely upon the rumours which have reached us, we may promise our guests a most delightful evening.

We are fortunate this year in having our own rooms, for which we have already secured a piano and have, in addition, the beautiful pictures which were so kindly presented to us last year. As they are shortly to be completely furnished, we may feel justly proud of them.

Altogether the year is opening very propitiously.

J. M. T.

Y. W. C. A.

Another session has begun, and with its opening the Y.W.C.A. has again become active. Last year the society advanced considerably, but because of the large increase in the number of women students, it hopes for still greater progress this year. During the coming year, groups will meet for mission study and Bible lectures, in addition to the regular monthly meetings, for which will be procured prominent speakers who are interested in the work.

As is customary the society began its year with a tea, as a welcome to the new girls. Mrs. Tory, our Honorary President received, assisted by Miss Tuttle, our Vice-President, in the absence of Miss Menzies.

The afternoon was a splendid success as an opportunity for all the girls to become acquainted.

C. M. P.

SAGE ADVICE

Good morning Freshettes, have you used Pear's Soap? If not, now is the time, and it will put a new aspect on the face of life. You need not deny it for you know it is true that the majority of you are homesick—perchance for dear old Queen's, or Varsity, or if entirely unsophisticated, for home and mother. At any rate you feel a trifle lost.

But it will not be long. There are societies waiting to entice you into their mysteries, especially dear old Wauneita. Don't let the ferocious looking picture of Mrs. Wauneita, which you saw in last year's "Gateway," startle you. Be brave. Did you but know Cree,* you would know that the dreadful sounding words which issue from her lips, mean literally translated, "every man for himself." So you see, all that is necessary is a little mettle around initiation time and the matter will resolve itself into the survival of the fittest, and why not be the fittest?

In addition, from one who belongs to the old family take this gentle hint. Don't allow the Seniors and Juniors, and least of all the Sophomores, to place you in the background. If you must be humble, let it be like Uriah Heap and make it worth while.

Above all, do not stand in awe of the Professors.

If a certain lecture slips through your brain like water through a sieve, here is a splendid chance to ingratiate yourself into the Professor's good graces. Stop a moment after class and in your sweetest manner inquire earnestly what he was talking about. It will show him you are interested in your work, and sorry for being a poor listener. This will please him.

*Payuk uche kukeyow: meha kukeyow uche payuk.

Those of you who are in residence, have a hard row to hoe. You have come to college with your heads crammed full of thrilling larks and escapades, and with the light of adventure in your eye. But I fear your ardor may be dampened unless you are something quite out of the ordinary. The House Committee is noted for its watchful vigilance. Even the members of the Faculty have foiled you, by moving their respective abodes from beneath your corridor. They used to afford some merriment. Cheer up. There are still some people who loathe comb-choruses.

I nearly forgot the Library. This is where you can distinguish yourself. Some day, when absolute calm pervades, by way of a psycho-

logical experiment, endeavour to make your own bubbling spirits contagious. It is an interesting problem. The Librarian, if he be interested in such studies, will enjoy it. He may, however, be an indifferent sort—that is the risk you run.

As to "teas"—oh well, go to all of them. They are quite harmless. Don't refuse olives or you may be considered a Bromide. Make it a point to gush a great deal; it makes a good impression. Tell your next door neighbour that so-and-so looks quite "chic" and that her friend is truly bizarre (French is always in good taste), and you will be considered a "novel young person." This however is the aim of society.

A. K. W.

WORK.

"I eats well, I sleeps well; but when I 'ears that word 'work' I comes all over of a tremble."

We must apologize at the outset for choosing a theme which possesses so little interest for the majority of our readers; and indeed to some of them, jaded and wearied with the labours of a long vacation, it may seem perhaps a little unfair that they should so early in the term catch a glimpse of the pale spectre which they have come here to avoid. Let all readers rest assured, however, that this matter of "work" is a thing in which we ourselves are by no means expert; we too have looked up in mild surprise at the bare mention thereof and asked in all innocence what manner of game it might be. But the menace draws nearer as the years pass by; the distant tumbril approaches apace and the thunder thereof already begins to deafen our

reluctant ears: soon, soon we too must mount it, must bid farewell to youth and pleasure, while our friends helplessly watch us snatched away from them and listen with horror to our despairing shrieks as we too are sucked beneath the vortex, submerged in the maelstrom of work.

Of a truth we must gather the rosebuds while we may; for the dreadful day approaches for us all; even the fourth-year man, who has spent his terms in an endeavour to learn how work may be avoided, even he must confess with a sob that the effort is all in vain; and the tender freshmen, so full of hope and courage, will watch the insidious enemy draw ever nearer; the rose flush will soon leave those youthful cheeks, and dank beads of perspiration invade the erstwhile untroubled brow when he too knows that "the struggle naught availeth."

But is there no remedy? Is it only for this that we are born? Surely somewhere hidden away lies the elixir of life, the open sesame which will unlock the treasures of eternal youth

Yes, 'tis true, the riddle has been solved: yet but few brave souls have dared "to venture down the dark descent and up to re-ascend"; for the path is steep and the road is screened from view, and bold indeed is he who will grope his way with stumbling footsteps along the unknown trail. And yet the life of crime is one which an artist may well pursue. Does not Kenneth Grahame paint in glowing words its advantages to those who would fain seek recreation in some new hobby? Does he not speak of the satisfaction to be derived from "doing the act of self-expression as well as it can possibly be done" and of the freshness and novelty of secrecy? But 'tis not for us who,

alas, have failed through lack of opportunity or some inherent, hereditary weakness of resolve, 'tis not for us to guide the willing disciple. To those who have already any leanings in this direction, we are glad to have given the necessary hint. Others, on whom the idea of the opportunity offered had not hitherto dawned, will now see before them the looming signpost (is there not a hint of the gallows in its very shape and boldness?), its branches pointing to "work" and to "crime": and let them bear in mind that artistic success can only be secured by dint of practice and that "well begun is half done." We shall be glad to let them have copies of our pamphlets "Hints to Housebreakers" and "Policemen I have eaten" at very considerable reductions.*

W.

* Intending purchasers should mention "The Gateway."—EDITOR.

The University Song Book.

Two years ago a committee was appointed by the "Lit" Society to compile a University of Alberta Song Book. The work has been carried on until now, and it is expected that the book will be in the hands of the publishers next April.

Each year the "Lit." executive has offered a prize of \$5 for the best poem composed, to be the "University Song". During the past, good songs have been received but more are needed. Very likely the

present executive will continue the good work of its predecessors and offer a prize again this year. All are urged to attempt something. It is necessary to have a number of our own songs included in the book. Mr Freshman, step forward, show your poetical genius, and if you are a musician let us have a "home-made" song—words and music. The success of the Song Book rests, not on the Committee but on the student body—Upper and Lower classes alike.

ATHLETICS.

RUGBY.

After the inauguration of the new officers last May, it was decided that in 1913-14 the University must negotiate for a higher status in provincial athletics. Thanks to the strenuous work of President Jackson during the summer months, arrangements were completed for our admission into the senior rugby organization. On the first of September the University veterans already in the city, reinforced by several promising freshmen and some law students, commenced hard systematic practice. Dr. Whitney Lailey, the ex-Toronto star, was secured as coach, with Professor Edwards and Mr. W. H. Gibson as advisory assistants. Unfortunately for the 'Varsity squad, October, 1913, was destined to bring other things for Dr. Lailey, besides football practices, so the burden devolved on Professor Edwards and Mr. Gibson. Under their tutelage the squad made splendid progress. Training rules were instituted, the intermediate and senior squads were separated, and serious work was immediately under way. The incoming freshmen were carefully inspected and a goodly amount of football talent discovered. Competition was keen for positions on either team: in practice games the intermediates and seniors showed a tendency to batter each other as much as possible, to the great joy of the coaches. About forty players appeared regularly in uniform, so there was no dearth of material. E. C. Annes and Mr. Morrison handled the intermediate recruits, and in a remarkably short time whipped a powerful line, and reliable back field into shape. In the meantime, under Professor Edwards, Captain Logan's squad

worked assiduously with an earnestness as new in University athletics as it was desirable.

ESKIMOS vs. 'VARSITY, SEPT. 28.

Our first clash came in the second week of the season, when a large crowd assembled at Drummond Park to watch the Eskimo-'Varsity fixture. Not even the most enthusiastic 'Varsity supporter expected a victory, and the congratulations extended by the opposing team, combined with the laudatory press comments, helped to alleviate the sting of the whitewash.

The 'Varsity line crumpled like paper under the terrific assault of the heavy Eskimo attack, and bucks ploughed through for long gains. The 'Varsity line was game and willing, but the veterans opposing were impenetrable. The back field work of neither club was brilliant, 'Varsity gaining repeatedly on fumbles.

The most noteworthy point in the 'Varsity's play was the tackling, in which feature they distinctly shaded the Eskimos. Individual prowess brightened the game for the loyal students. On the side lines, Wilson, the diminutive University back, out-kicked the Eskimo punter by a large margin, showing superb nerve and grit, as again and again he drove the pigskin back in long spirals, with the enemy's wings within inches of him. Parsons exhibited rare speed and tackling ability. MacDonald circled the end repeatedly for gains, and every player fought doggedly throughout the entire hour of play. In the last quarter superior condition told, and the Eskimos were forced on the defensive. Then Captain Logan climaxed the day's play by his zig-zag sprint through

a broken field, being thrown back from across the line, and losing a score only by inches. The final whistle found 'Varsity fighting the Eskimos back, taking heavy punishment, yet asking no respite, and playing out the game to the finish.

Both teams played excellent football, the Eskimos constantly plunging through the line, the University generally gaining through end runs and fumbles in the Eskimo back field.

'Varsity vs. TIGERS, OCT. 4.

Against the Tigers, the consensus of opinion is that the 'Varsity players surpassed themselves. It was no team of substitutes that the University found. The Calgary line was heavy and strong, and the famous quartette of the Tiger back division were all in their places. Yet the 'Varsity held the Tiger line plungers in splendid fashion, broke through and demoralized back play, and caused Captain Warks' forehead to furrow anxiously as he noted his own team's failures to gain ground. At half time the veteran punter, Ken Williams, was rushed to the rescue; the fast Tiger wings swept down under his long kicks, and an epidemic of 'Varsity fumbling gave the southerners their chances. Yet the 'Varsity line was unbroken throughout the game, the Tiger points being hoarded up from rouges and safety touches. It was a really remarkable achievement for a team playing their second senior game, and spoke volumes for the earnestness and vigor with which the squad had labored since facing the Eskimos.

In this game the great weakness of the University lay in the lack of a reliable scoring machine. On the defensive, 'Varsity was very strong.

'Varsity vs. ESKIMOS, OCT. 11.

The little coteries in the dor-

mitories, to whom Rugby gossip is a habit, eyed the scores of the two preceding games, dilated on relative improvements, and then calmly prophesied a 'Varsity victory on October 11th. The team worked hard in the interval, whatever their visions may have been. The result of the game was something of a shock to University adherents. However the rooter on the sidelines overlooked the fact that a considerable proportion of the senior squad were absent from the field because of injuries. Beacroft, Carmichael, Peraton and Love, all stirring back field men, were on the hospital list, and Sweetman's injured shoulder kept him out of the game. On the other hand, constant practice had rendered the Eskimos more formidable than before. Line-plunging is the forte of the Edmonton club, and never did they work more beautifully than in this game, when they alternately smashed the 'Varsity wings with well placed bucks. Despite the activities of Cullen, their speedy defense man, their back field play was but little improved, and they won simply because the 'Varsity line was smashed out of all semblance of a line by the terrific bucking of Stewart, Bailey and Graham. But although the University was outweighed, out-played, and even out-stayed, they were never out-gamed, and fought sturdily and bravely against hopeless odds. The odds were hopeless on October 11th, 1913. Some time in October, 1914, 'Varsity and the Eskimos will face each other again in Diamond Park, when they will be neither outweighed, out-played nor out-stayed, and the 'Varsity gameness will turn the tide of battle towards the green and gold. This is a fact too self-evident to be classed as a prophecy.

'Varsity II. vs. Civics, Oct. 4.

The opening intermediate fixture took place on October 4th, on the University campus. This was the first of three games for the championship of Northern Alberta. The 'Varsity team bucked steadily throughout the first half and were finally rewarded with a try, which was unconverted. Later they bucked the line again only to lose the ball a few inches from the goal line. The Civics' solitary point came on a boot to the dead line. For the 'Varsity' the work of Riley and Henry featured well, while Captain Glenn handled his team well at quarter. Bill and C. English were the pick of the lines.

'Varsity II. vs. Civics, Oct. 11.

After holding the Civics to an even break for three quarters of the game, the 'Varsity defense faded away in the last quarter of the game and permitted three tries to be scored, which accounts for the one-sided score. The failure of the 'Varsity wings to cope with the fast Civic back field was responsible for the loss, although the University attack lacked the vim and dash essential to success. The Civics presented a greatly improved team, while injuries handicapped the intermediates. Henry in the back division and Van Petten on the line worked hard to avert defeat, the rest of the team seemed to lack the "pep" necessary to success. For the winners, Bill and English, again distinguished themselves, while Pearce played strongly on the line.

SOCCER.

Although Rugby naturally has taken the lead in games this fall, yet considerable enthusiasm has been displayed in Soccer, in anticipation of the annual game with the

University of Saskatchewan, which will take place early in November. A league was formed among the faculties of Arts and Science, Alberta College and Robertson, to play a short series of games. The following schedule was drawn up:

Arts and Sciences v. A.C.	Oct. 14
Robertson v. A.C.	- Oct. 17
Arts & Sciences v. Robertson	Oct. 21
A.C. v. Arts and Sciences	Oct. 24
A.C. v. Robertson	- Oct. 28
Robertson v. Arts & Sciences	Oct. 31

There is every indication that the championship of this series will be hotly contested. There is no lack of good material, and when at the end of the month a team is picked from the best men of the three teams to meet Saskatchewan, we shall have an aggregation that will make our opponents' flesh creep. Get out and boost Soccer, and help defeat Saskatchewan.

TENNIS.

A Tennis Tournament is under way on the campus this month, and despite the scarcity of courts, the sport is well patronized by the students. The Co-eds have absorbed some inspiration from the new movement in 'Varsity athletics and aspire to enter collegiate honors. A challenge has been despatched to the Saskatchewan ladies, and a favorable reply is anticipated.

G.R.S.

REGISTRATION.

The Registration of the University up to the present is about 400. This already shows an increase over last year of about 30% and the registration is not yet anything like complete. The freshman class, which is already 110, is by far the largest yet. It is fully anticipated that by the time the registration is complete the figures will approach 500.

THE LOUNGE.

We are pleased to hear that
Fergie's jaw is working again.

Rugby and Soccer are the order of
the day—the exams. are far distant.

The Freshettes and Freshmen
were delighted with the reception
tendered to them by the Student's
Y.W.C.A. and the Y.M.C.A. re-
spectively.

Question asked after the Rugby
team's medical examination—"Did
Dyde run?"

The first University Service was
held on Sunday, Oct. 5th. If all
the meetings reach the standard of
that service, full attendances are
assured.

We are glad to notice there is one
Tennis Court.

F—senr.—"Well, if that is'nt
my brother kicking the football
with his broken jaw."

We are glad to welcome Miss Bell
back to the University of Alberta
after a year's absence.

Latest converts to the water-
wagon—the football squads. They
have our sympathy.

The girls are hoping that the
Glee Club will graciously consent
to receive them into their numbers
this year.

Has anyone heard of the buried
treasure at the faculty table? It
rivals Capt. Kidd's in mystery.

We are glad to welcome Dr.
Misener, Dr. Killam, Herr Von
Zabuesnig to our teaching staff.

Rugby results to date—Anything
from broken jaws and dislocated
knee-caps to Rooter's Clubs and
Varsity poets.

The Modern's Club promises to
be the funniest thing yet. Have
you heard X—speaking French?

"Keep off the grass." We
thought you may not have noticed
it.

The Dining Room provokes our
admiration, but the Workmen's
Glee Club? Don't mention it.

The Freshman Class are lucky to
have a Staff-Sergeant. Political
crises need not worry us now.

We politely suggest that A—
Junior, in future parts his hair down
the middle and wears a red ticket, to
preserve the identity of his brother.

Concerning a Freshman.

They stripped his coat and gave him
kicks

For all his wages due;
And off, instead of green and gold
He went in black and blue.

T. HOOD.

Little Dewdrops.

Here we are again as the premier says when he opens parliament.

I was just thinking how joyous life is. With the sun shining in through a clean spot in the window, an easy chair, a couple of apples and best of all the thought that board is paid to October 31st, I scarce was caring through the long day whether school kept or not, when in came the editor. He said "I say, old chap, don't put anything in 'Little Dewdrops' that you can't see through" I explained to him that the few seniors that are hanging about the University would have no trouble in making out any difficult passages in this department of ethical culture, but for the sake of "Doc" Gillespie and some of the juniors an appendix would be added. This satisfied my friend and he straightway gathered up the apple peelings and took them to his room.

As has been said, the appendix will help to clear up any obscure point. Once getting the joke in mind you can tell it to some one who is not a constant reader of the "Gateway" and nine cases out of ten have the joke on him or her as the case may be. Where you have the advantage is in being able to refer to the appendix or footnotes which will be supplied.

Here is an original one by the former editor. He came in fairly beaming, told me the following and spent the rest of the evening saying what he would do if he could think out one as good every day. He would either go on the staff of "Life" or—without it. Are you ready? Then here we are:

Scene; Switch near low-level bridge.

Freshette; There is a car coming for I see a light in the sophomore.

Bystander: You mean semaphore do you not?

This may require the appendix.

In sending in your contributions to this department of truth be sure and supply the date when joke originated, otherwise it will be supplied for you. Here is one having no date attached when it reached me. Evidently sent in by Mr. Holmes 3/4 B. A. Note date has been supplied.

Question. Is life worth living?

Answer No 1. It all depends on the liver. (x 6000 B. C.)

But to return to journalism. Some of those High School lads managed to get their matriculation and get here in time for the initiation. If any reports should reach us regarding remarks made about "Little Dewdrops" let the offenders beware. They'll get more than the first degree, for we'll Robb, Boyle and Fairley Killam. Good Night.

P.S. The date is given for the benefit of those studying history.

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We wish to express our sympathy to Miss Dickson, who has been suddenly called away by the death of her mother.

ALBERTA COLLEGE

Once more the College halls echo with ringing laughter and hurrying footsteps. Once more silence has given place to the bustle and scurry of life. We are glad to be back again and to shake hands with each other. There are many whom we miss; many whose prowess on the campus has given the college an enviable reputation in athletics; many whose cheerfulness has been an encouragement and a stimulus to the discouraged. But while we are sorry to miss some of the familiar faces, we gladly welcome the incoming freshmen. We look forward to the making of new friends and hope that the places made vacant will be worthily filled.

There is a note of optimism among us which augurs well for the future. Everybody seems determined to make the most of the year so that we expect to eclipse all previous records. Our organization is completed for the year and strong executives have been elected for each department.

A meeting of the Student Body was held on Friday, Oct. 3rd, for the purpose of electing the Vice-Presidents and the remaining members of the Executive Committees of the different College Societies. The President of the Student's Council, Mr. F. T. Cook, was in the Chair and there was a good number of students present. After the President had given a few words of welcome to the new students, he called upon the Presidents of the Athletic Association, the Literary Society, and the Y.M.C.A. to conduct their respective elections. Nominations followed briskly, and a ballot had to be taken in each case.

The Executives are as follows:

Literary Society: F. M. Quance, President; G. E. Graham, Vice-President; D. O. Mothersill, Secretary; J. R. Geeson; F. E. Townsend; F. I. Woodworth. Committee.

Athletic Association: D. P. Cameron, President; T. H. Lonsdale, Vice-President; G. L. Baker, Secretary; H. H. Coats; G. Edwards; A. Strongman. Committee.

Y.M.C.A.: W. Forshaw, President; L. F. Loughheed, Vice-President; S. Pike, Secretary; A. J. Goodson; R. Johnston; R. Simons. Committee.

The Students' Council is comprised of the Presidents and Secretaries of each society, together with F. T. Cook, President; W. Berry, Vice-President; and E. F. Kemp, Secretary, who were elected to office last spring.

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

The aim of the Literary Society this year is to find and develop the latent talent of the student body as fully as possible. To this end most of the programmes are being planned to be given by the members. Public speaking, an essential qualification of a college trained man, will receive very strong emphasis, while the social and musical elements will not be overlooked.

With the talent which we have within our walls and the buoyant spirit of optimism which prevails, we are looking forward to a most successful year in this sphere of College life.

Y. M. C. A.

It is hoped that the Y.M.C.A. will continue to fulfil its most important function in the life of the

College. This year, one of the chief aims of the Association will be to bring our students together to exchange ideas concerning moral and social questions. It is proposed to hold fortnightly meetings at which various students shall give papers to open up discussions on such questions. The programme for the first half-year is as follows:

Oct. 13—"Jesus Christ and the present Age": Mr. D. H. Telfer.

Oct. 27 "The Call of the Carpenter": Mr. W. Davidson.

Nov. 10—"Where Christianity touches Socialism": Mr. K. Kingston.

Nov. 24—"Changing Orders": Mr. F. Forster.

Dec. 8—"The Ministry of Memory": Mr. J. W. Nightingale.

It is expected, too, that the Association will give some assistance to an evangelistic work which McDougall Church has started in a section of the city near Mill Creek. At the time of going to press the matter is still under consideration. Next month, no doubt, we shall be able to report on definite work accomplished by the Y.M.C.A.

MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION.

This is the third year of the history of this Association in Alberta College. The wisdom of those who began the Association is to be highly commended. The object of the Association is to furnish its members with financial assistance in cases of illness or accident during the College year. The fee is three dollars and fifty cents, at the rate of fifty cents a month. If paid in full at the beginning of the year the fee is three dollars and twenty-five cents.

The claims upon the Association are divided into two classes. (a) Those in which students have acci-

dents or have contracted illness during the College year. (b) Those in which students have illness during the College year arising out of conditions which existed before the College year. In the first class all claims are considered from ten to one hundred dollars, and claims are settled at the rate of 66⅔%. In the second class all claims are considered from ten dollars to seventy-five dollars, and are settled at the rate of 40%. There has been a good enrolment of students each year, and possibly this year the number of members will increase.

A TRADITIONAL CUSTOM.

On Thursday, Oct. 9th, the mid-day meal was just being brought to a conclusion, and at the head of the first flight of stairs was to be seen a menacing group of ten or a dozen students, whose eyes were dilated and whose lips were compressed; eagerness was plainly visible on each countenance, there was evidently war in the air.

At last, freshman number one appeared, and was immediately pounced upon and led into the basement, his heart heavily burdened with secret contemplation on the undiscovered mysteries of the underworld.

Similarly, a string of freshmen, numbering in all twenty-seven, was led down into the nether regions, there to await the vengeance of the gods upon their unfortunate freshness.

In due course they were brought before the awful tribunal, F. Forster acting as judge and C. J. Spratt as accuser. One offender was found guilty of wearing a woolly adornment on his physiognomy, and, on the accuser looking up in "Hansard" for a ruling on a similar case

the result was "and there was found no place for it." The sentence, however, was somewhat modified, and only sundry clippings took place.

The modes of punishment were varied and effective. Deserving cases took their water course and earned their H₂O degree. The punishment of "mortal combat" on the pole afforded great amusement. Well-matched prisoners were set upon the pole facing each other armed with pillows, and as the blows of one struck home the other performed "circumrotary" gymnastics round his perch, and several, in their upside-down attitudes, gave great promise of becoming rivals of Pegoud if ever they should take up aeronautics. In the barrel-boxing contests, to which some were sentenced, there was displayed considerable pugnacity of spirit, indomitable purpose and pommelling ability.

The health of the college was insisted on in each case, and any future freshness insured against by a liberal salting down of each member of the class.

The reception for the Freshmen took place on Friday evening Oct. 10th. Mr. F. T. Cook, the President of the Students' Council, presided and gave a very hearty welcome to

the new students on behalf of the student body.

Other interesting speeches of welcome were given by Professor Bland, in the absence of the principal, Dr Riddell on behalf of the Faculty, and Messrs W. Davidson and J. McPhail Waggett who represented the Seniors. Mr. F. E. Townsend very ably responded for the Freshmen.

The evening was interspersed with the following musical items:
 Pianoforte Solo, Miss Clara M. Bell
 Song, Mr R. Clegg
 Reading, Miss M. V. Hicks
 Violin Solo, Mr F. T. Lund
 Quartette, Messrs. Lund, Berry, Clegg and Quance.

After the programme refreshments were served, the rest of the evening being spent in a social manner. A very pleasant evening closed at 11 o'clock with the National Anthem.

DEWDROPS' APPENDIX

The appendix was to be written by a brilliant young man who is at present unavoidably detained at Fort Saskatchewan on the trumped up charge of trying to obtain a degree from this University without the usual amount of work. The authorities will no doubt hang him.

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ROBERTSON COLLEGE.

We feel it to be our first duty to extend, through the medium of this section of the Gateway, a very hearty welcome to the new students of Robertson College. We had all hoped to have seen erected this summer a building that would have adequately accommodated the greatly increased number of students who have registered at Robertson for this session. We know that the financial stringency, so much commented upon at present, and not the want of zeal in our respected Principal, was the cause of the delay in the commencement of the building operations. Yet we feel that it is not the magnificence of the building, but the ability and personality of the members of the Faculty, combined with the character and intelligence developed in the students throughout their course of study, that are the real measure of the greatness of a College. We have at least potential greatness, and if the students, new and old, will do their part in loyally working together with the Faculty, we have no fear for the future reputation of our young College.

The scheme of co-operation between the two theological colleges has decidedly increased the efficiency of both teaching staffs. We believe the basis of co-operation and the idea incorporated in the same to be thoroughly sane and commendable, and well worthy of initiation in our large educational centres. The Senate of Alberta College are to be particularly commended for their wisdom and excellent foresight in co-operating with such an institution as Robertson College, and we, as students, are graciously willing to permit our fellow students at Alberta to share in the glory of our achievements. In reading over these words we are

amazed at our own generosity, but we will let them remain, we will let them remain.

The first meeting of our Students' Council took place on Thursday evening, Oct. 9th. The president, Mr. T. Murphy, called the meeting to order and business progressed smoothly. After the preliminaries were disposed of, the real business of the evening came up for discussion, the question of student supply during the winter. This is probably the thorniest question in the student life of a theological college. We will not attempt to discuss this question here—the matter was left in the hands of an excellent committee with Mr. Carr as convenor; a committee which we believe has the confidence of the student body and which should certainly have its whole-hearted support.

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LAW NOTES.

The Annual Meeting of the Edmonton Law Students' Society, held in the Supreme Court Chambers, on Tuesday, September 9th, at 8 p.m., was a very enthusiastic one. It was the most largely attended meeting in the history of the Society; about forty members being present. After a few preliminary remarks by the Chairman, Vice-President Cormack, the first item of business taken up was the introduction and acceptance into the Society of the new members present. Next came the election of officers for the ensuing year, with the following results:

Hon. President, Miss Clement, of Vegreville; President, R. E. McLaughlin; Vice-President, H. B. Phillips; Secretary-Treasurer, G. H. Steer; Librarian, R. Fitzgerald; Critic, Alex. Wilson. Programme and Educational Committee; Messrs. May and Smyth; Banquet Committee, Messrs. Howson and Van. Allen; Athletic Committee, Messrs. Cormack, Menzies and Logan. "Gateway" Representative, H. J. Dean.

Discussion *re* the date of the Annual Law Examinations resulted in several motions as to the manner in which attempts were to be made to secure the desired changes. Efforts were also gotten under way whereby the annual results might be known much sooner than has been the case in the past.

All the preliminary arrangements for the annual Banquet have been made. The date set for this historical event is Nov. 13th, and this function promises to outstrip all its predecessors—that is if we are to believe what the Banquet Committee tell us. Dame Rumor has it that a time worn precedent is to be disregarded at the Banquet this year. Undoubtedly every Law Student

hears with regret that grape juice and milk, as beverages are to be superseded by a reliable brand of carbonated waters.

As was the case last year, lectures are to be held in the Court House, thus saving the students long early morning trips to the University buildings. The Education Committee in conjunction with the University Authorities, has drafted a time-table which includes lectures for all three years. Local barristers are to give the bulk of the lectures, commencing about the middle of the month.

It is to be regretted that the Law Faculty will not enter a rugby team in the inter-faculty series this fall. The consensus of opinion at the annual meeting however favoured the idea of foregoing a faculty team, preferring to encourage a strong and united senior team for the "Big Three." Although the law students on the team are not numerous, yet what is lacking in quantity is made up in quality; being amply borne out by the sensational play of Captain Logan and his fellow-legal aspirants.

It is not known as yet whether the law students will develop a faculty hockey team or not, but in the event of this not being done it certainly will not be on account of a lack of available material. But even if there is not a faculty seven the Varsity team will not go amiss in making a thorough canvass to see just what material can be secured from the Court House Proteges.

It is hardly probable that a team will be entered in the basketball league this year, but as there are several enthusiasts of this great indoor sport among the law-students, a team might be again entered in the Intermediate division.

H. J. DEAN.

THE INITIATION.

The initiation ceremony (or perhaps ceremonies, for the programme was quite varied) was perhaps the most successful in the history of the University. Everyone seemed satisfied when it was over even the freshmen, and if they don't know, who should! And judging from the way it was received by the big crowd of upper-class men who gathered around, sighing, perhaps, at recollections of former days; and particularly by that contingent of co-eds, who thronged the steps, shrieking with delight as the poor "freshie" plunged down the chute and disappeared, to emerge a moment later a choking, dripping bundle of flesh — judging from these, I say, it was a huge success. Even the members of the Faculty could not keep within their shells, but dodging round a corner, they opened up a little, and enjoyed the distant scene. Nay, we have it on good authority that the professor of philosophy was seen to smile, and Heaven only knows what connection there is between a freshman and philosophy!

Outside the bounds of the campus, too, believing in the policy of "sharing a good thing when you've got it", we gave the townspeople a great old time, as we marched through the streets three hundred strong, led—shall I say it—yes, and reverently, by an ass. O most noble beast of burden, how significant that *thou* shouldst have been chosen, of all animals, to occupy that post of honor! How eloquent in thy stolid silence! With perfect mechanism thou didst perform thy part. As if inspired, thou didst enter that hall of reverence, and kneel down before the altar; and recking not the clamors of those who would have roused thee from thy solemn meditations, tenderly wert thou lifted up and carried forth. Flourish long the sophomore

year that introduced thee, and may thou, taking up thine abode with us, have every want supplied, till once more thou lead forth the happy throng!

All this about an ass! Pray let us return to the freshmen. There were a few special features of the initiation that are well worth noting. What a lucky find, that long, dark, cement-lined dungeon under the dining-room! Not a window in it! Little wonder that grim fear tugged at the freshmen's breasts, as they were dragged in, bound hand and foot, and ranged along the sides on the hard, cold floor; and in many cases also, there must have been a slight tugging beneath the belt, or possibly it was the lack of any such comfortable tucking that gave the trouble. Who are we, anyway, to attempt an accurate analysis of a freshman's feelings, even granting that he is endowed with any?

We referred above to the long chute dropping into the tank of water. Again the "sophs" are to be congratulated. That was an improvement on any freshman course before offered by the University of Alberta. We should like to inquire from the freshmen (surely it is not too late!) if such an arrangement is at all reasonably dangerous for slivers. Also we should advise any freshman who meditates specialising in psychology, to attempt a description of the mental thrills experienced by a man who starts blindly on the downward path. This ought specially to appeal to a man whose intended goal is theology.

And they named it the *first* degree! What a sigh of relief burst from the victim as but *one* daub was made on his brow! What had he done (or not done) to merit such good treatment. But alas! the rude awakening, as he realised his



THE INITIATION.

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mistake. He had forgotten, in the excitement, the simple little law of inverse proportions.

The open-air court did a most successful business. Mothersill showed up well in the sable robe and mortar-board. And looking down upon that bunch of pretty co-eds on his right, how could he help being witty at the expense of the poor wretches that were dragged before him? What cruel glances of admiration were shot at him, as he uttered that brief phrase (but how eloquent) "First degree"!

Tookey, as shear artist, did some fine work, though it is said that at about half time, overwhelmed with remorse at his works of destruction, he suddenly vanished from the scene, and a new man had to be secured for the job. This latter seems to have had an æsthetic preference for the Doric type of capital—the plain, austere, and unadorned—judging, that is, from one rather notable example, G—th, whose sole care these days lies in the fact that it is at least conventional to appear in the dining-room three times a day!

And best of all came the parade.

As there has been considerable adverse criticism regarding this part of the affair, a word may not be amiss. The parade is the public's share in the initiation fun. The ordinary routine of things, such as street-car schedules, business arrangements, etc., are laid aside for the moment, as everyone grabs his hat and rushes out to the street to see what's doing. Any ordinary, healthy individual is only too glad for the diversion. "You hold up the street cars." Of course we do. No one wants to use them, anyway, except possibly to get into town where the fun's going on, and we don't stop *them*. Is there any particular decree preventing a policeman from possessing, or using a sense of humor? In that case, he is likely soon to become an obsolete species around this city. We feel sure, however, that the vast majority of the people who saw the parade thoroughly enjoyed the performance, and we see no reason why in future years it should not be continued on a grander scale.

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